

ANNEX 1

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SOM STEERING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION 2013 WORK PLAN

1. Proposed Work for 2013 in Response to Leaders'/ Ministers'/SOM Decisions and SCE Priorities.

- Provide policy recommendations that are related to ECOTECH groups, to SOM;
- Coordinate and supervise all ECOTECH-related Working Groups and SOM Special Taskforces, as well as initiatives such as the Travel Facilitation Initiative;
- Provide strategic policy guidance on the ECOTECH agenda in the development of fora strategic plans;
- Subject to the ranking procedure, approve and rank all ECOTECH-related project proposals ahead of presentation to the Budget Management Committee (BMC);

2. Improving APEC's ECOTECH work

- Through consultation with sub-fora consider and discuss how APEC's ECOTECH work can be improved.
- Potentially conduct a survey of sub-fora to pool ideas and suggestions.

3. Strengthening coordination among and across Fora

- Promote synergy across APEC fora through improved joint work, nexus and interface;
- Identify further cooperation in cross-cutting issues in APEC to help deliver the goals and aims of the APEC Leaders Declaration and Ministerial Statements;
- Encourage all ECOTECH-related fora to identify and reflect cross-cutting issues in annual work plans.

4. Capacity building

- Identify ways to strengthen and focus capacity building activities in APEC fora.
- Encourage all ECOTECH-related fora to reflect capacity building work clearly in annual work plans.

5. Expected Outcomes/Deliverables for 2013

- Preparation of a strategic plan by all fora before CSOM in October 2013
- Successful implementation of the Independent Assessments of the fora scheduled for completion this year, specifically
 - Energy Working Group (EWG)
 - Experts Group on Illegal logging and associated Trade (EGILAT)
 - Counter-terrorism Task force (CTTF)
 - Transportation Working Group (TPTWG)
- Commencement of new independent assessments for 2014;
- Submission of the annual SOM Report on ECOTECH to Ministers in October 2013.